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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention.

The following two documents were cited in a Communication recently issued by the European Patent Office in connection with a corresponding foreign application. A copy of the Communication is enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 5,464,420.

European Patent Publication No. 0 601 756.

To assist the Examiner in entering the foregoing information into the record, the above-noted documents are cited on the attached form PTO-1449.

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The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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